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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PLOS, GY

SUBJECT: GUYANA EXTENDS MARITIME BOUNDARIES

REF: GEORGETOWN 0649

1. BILL HAS BEEN INTRODUCED IN PARLIAMENT TO EXTEND TERRITORIAL SEA LIMIT TO 12 MILES AND TO ESTABLISH GUYANA'S SOVEREIGN RIGHTS FOR PURPOSES OF EXPLORATION, EXPLOITATION, CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF ALL RESOURCES IN 200 MILE ZONE. LEGISLATION ESTABLISHES GUYANA'S SOVEREIGNTY OVER SEABED, SUBSOIL, AND AIRSPACE OF TERRITORIAL LIMIT. SUBMARINES MUST SAIL ON SURFACE. IN CASES WHERE NEW MARITIME LIMITS INTERSECT WITH THOSE OF OTHER COUNTRIES, BOUNDARIES WILL BE UNCLASSIFIED

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DETERMINED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS.

2. BILL RESERVES FOR GUYANA RIGHT TO REGULATE EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION WITHIN 200 MILE LIMIT AND EMPOWERS PRESIDENT OF GUYANA TO ESTABLISH EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE AT LATER DATE. THOSE WISHING TO EXPLOIT RESOURCES IN EXTENDED AREA MUST OBTAIN LICENSES FROM MINISTER OF

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES. MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR FISHERIES WILL BE EMPOWERED TO DESIGNATE SPECIFIC AREAS IN 200 MILE LIMIT FOR FISHING BY FOREIGN COUNTRIES AS WELL AS KINDS OF FISH AND QUANTITIES WHICH MAY BE CAUGHT. VIOLATION OF 200 MILE FISHERIES LIMIT WILL RESULT IN FINE OF G\$200,000 (US\$78,579.29) AND/OR SEIZURE OF BOATS.

3. CHRONICLE REPORT NOTED THAT GOG POSITION HAD BEEN THAT NO UNILATERAL ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WHILE LOS AGREEMENT WAS PENDING, BUT THAT ACTION WAS NOW NECESSARY DUE TO DANGER OF OVERFISHING IN GUYANA WATERS AND EXISTING THREAT TO ECO-SYSTEM OFF CONTINENTAL SHELF. CHRONICLE POINTED OUT THAT GOG CONSULTED WITH CARICOM COUNTRIES PRIOR TO ITS DECISION TO EXTEND LIMITS AND MAINTAINED THAT THIS DECISION IS IN KEEPING WITH PROPOSALS OF LOS CONFERENCE SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT.
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